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DISCUSS THE MERGER RULING

BECK POINTS OUT MOST IMPORTANT POINT IN RULING OF THE COURT.

IT IS A GOOD THING FOR ALL

Defines Rights of All Parties Under the Law—Daniel S. Lamont Talks.

Philadelphia, P., April 10.—James M. Beck, assistant attorney general, who argued the Northern Securities case, when questioned today as to the scope of the decision, said that it seemed to him it leaves nothing to be desired in the matter of a full exposition of the federal law applicable to the consolidation of competing interstate carriers.

"All interests should welcome such a result," says Mr. Beck. "For it seems to me of the first importance that the exact meaning of the existing statutory law should be definitely ascertained. When so ascertained, the question of the wisdom of the statutes can be fairly debated in the greater court of public opinion. The decision of the circuit court accomplishes this purpose. It destroys the last legal device for the suppression of competition, and shifts the whole question from the courts to the people, and leaves for their consideration and ultimate decision the question whether every consolidation under the proper regulation is desirable, or whether it should be altogether prohibited. The wild suggestion that this decision is 'revolutionary' and will disrupt the American railway system is absurd. It simply re-affirms the existing principles and has no application whatever to the legitimate extensions of railway lines, but solely applies to the suppression of competition by railway consolidation."

Beck considers the most important part of the decision was that which holds the purchase of the stock in interstate railways subjects the purchaser to the constitutional power of federal government.

The defendants contended that mere acquisition of such shares had either no direct relations to the interstate commerce or that, in any event, such relations were collateral and remote.

RESULT NOT AFFECTED.

Lamont Says the Decision Does Not Change Conditions.

New York, April 10.—Daniel S. Lamont, a director of the Northern Securities and vice president of the Northern Pacific said today that, as long as the railroads affected by the decision in Northern Securities case had never lost their identity, even if decisions were made final by the higher court, no difference would result.

"The same men who own and control the Northern Securities own and control the Northern Pacific, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and the Great Northern. What is the difference? The Northern Securities company simply made it easy for these men to run the roads."

PLOT TO KILL KING

Discovery Is Said to Have Hastened Alexander's Coup.

Vienna, April 10.—Rumors of a plot against the life of King Alexander of Serbia received apparent confirmation in private dispatches received at Budapest and according to which the attempt on the king's life was planned for next Sunday. Fifty persons are suspected of complicity in the plot and were arrested. After arrests are expected. Semi-official reports from Belgrade declare these rumors are false but it is thought here that King Alexander's recent coup d'état was hastened by the discovery of the alleged plot.

THE SULTAN IS THREATENED

With Assassination if He Obeys Russia and With Intervention if He Does Not.

RESULT OF ST. CHERBINA'S FATE

Constantinople, April 10.—M. St. Cherbina, Russian consul at Mitrovitz, who was shot by an Albanian sentinel there recently, is dead.

Sultan in Hard Place.

Vienna, April 10.—M. St. Cherbina who died today as result of being shot by an Albanian sentinel was one of Russia's promising diplomats. In his previous posts he had made himself obnoxious to the Albanians and the suspicion exists here he was deliberately sent to Mitrovitz, where no other country has a representative, in order to promote trouble. The danger he ran was so patent that a large escort of Cossacks was sent to accompany him. Russia, before St. Cherbina's death, had protested against the sentence of imprisonment, on his assassin and demanded the latter's execution. It is not yet known whether he will insist on the murderer's execution. Compliance with Russia's demand would expose the sultan to the revenge of his body guard, composed of Albanians and non-compliance, to possible Russian intervention. Hence, the situation is considered extremely grave.

Board to Revise Regulations.

Washington, April 10.—Because of a succession of accidents which have occurred recently in the navy, a board of officers will be appointed to revise the drill regulations in order that every precaution may be taken in the future against casualties.

RUSSELL'S POOR JUDGMENT

Sage Compelled to Pay \$40,000 Because of Poor Loans Made for Guaranty Company.

WHICH WENT INTO BANKRUPTCY

New York, April 10.—Russell Sage was called upon to pay \$40,000 because he made loans at a disadvantage to himself and those he represented, as chairman of the finance committee of the German-American Real Estate Title Guarantee company. The payment was ordered by the supreme court in an action brought by the receiver of the company against Sage, E. V. Leow, former controller of New York, and Charles J. Obermayer, officers of the finance committee of the company, for \$65,000. It is understood that Sage paid \$40,000 of the amount and Leow and Obermayer the balance. The action was based on the allegations that the committee made so many bad loans that the company was compelled to give up the business.

WHEAT IN FINE CONDITION.

As Shown by the April Crop Report of the Government.

Washington, April 10.—The report of the statistician of the department of agriculture shows an average condition of winter wheat April 1 of 97.3 against 78.7 in 1902, 91.7 in 1901 and 82.1 the mean of April averages for ten years. The following shows for the states named the averages of the condition April 1.

State	1903	1902	1901	Avg.
Missouri	95	91	93	82
Nebraska	96	93	100	87
Ohio	97	77	83	78
Illinois	98	90	92	79
Michigan	95	83	72	78
United States	97.3	78.7	91.7	82.1

Average condition of winter rye: April 1.

	1903	1902	1901	Avg.
	97.9	85.4	93.1	87.9

LAUNCH RELIANCE TODAY

Big Sloop Must Battle With Columbia and Constitution for Honor of Defending Cup.

NEW BOAT'S BIG SPREAD OF SAIL

Bristol, April 10.—The cup defender, Reliance, will be launched Saturday afternoon. Miss Nora Iselin, daughter of C. Oliver Iselin, managing owner, will christen the vessel. The Reliance is the sixth yacht which the Herreshoffs have constructed for the defense of America's cup. Three, Vigilant, Defender, and Columbia, defeated the British challengers, while two, Columbia and Constitution did not prove in trials sufficiently reliable to warrant their selection for the honor.

The Reliance will be tried out as never a cup boat was before, for the owner of the Columbia, jealous of her magnificent record of two successful defenses of the cup, will again be in the field, while August Belmont, who controls the Constitution, is keen to retrieve the honor lost to the Columbia two years ago. Although Reliance, as in the case of all cup defenders, has been built in secret, it is known her underbody is constructed of Tobin bronze and the top sides of nickel steel. It is known also she is about 140 feet over all, just short of 90 feet on the water line, about 29 feet deep and 24 beam.

When fully rigged she will be able to spread over 15,000 square feet of canvas, the largest amount ever hoisted by any racing 90 foot sloop.

Kansas City Shoot.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 10.—In the state association team medal shoot today the Kansas City club won the medal killing 47 out of 60 birds. Event D, open to the world, 25 live birds, ended in a tie. Budd, Gorman, O'Brien and C. Spencer, each making straight kills. Heier, Heikes, Gilbert, Wade and Tipson were second with 24 each. Fulton and Dave Elliot third, 23 each.

CASTRO SUPPORTS BOWEN.

Venezuelan President Promises to Stand Firm in Position Taken.

Washington, April 10.—News was received today from Venezuela to the effect that Castro will remain firm and sustain Bowen in the attitude he has taken respecting the settlement of the claims against Venezuela and in favor of referring the question of preferential treatment of the blockading powers to The Hague for determination. The same statement contained the information that no overtures have been made to Castro directly by representatives of the allied governments for settling the controversy but overtures with this object in view have been made to the government by some financial syndicates.

Bowen has opposed bitterly any settlement through financial syndicates and Castro has sustained him.

LATTER DAY SAINTS

Give Up Their Fight Against Co-operative Business Enterprises.

Independence, Mo., April 10.—The re-organized church of the Latter Day Saints spent most of the time today yesterday resolving the resolution introduced the church investing the members of the church in co-operative business enterprises. A mercantile and manufacturing company has been incorporated here and men high in the church, among them Bishop, are interested in the enterprise. The company has just completed a large factory here and the bishop, who controls the finances of the church, invested some of the church's money in it. The resolution was discussed at length, and it was expunged from the record. The matter stands as it did before and the bishop may invest church money where it thinks best.

AMERICA BOUNDS WHILE ENGLAND CRAWLS.



BURDICK CASE IS UNSOLVED

LAST INQUEST THROWS NO LIGHT ON MYSTERY OF DEATH OF PENNELL AND WIFE.

STATEMENT BY PENNELL

Continuing his statement, Pennell says:

"The crime is as great a mystery to the writer as to anyone. The terrible notoriety and publicity has been brought upon people, more especially women, who have entirely undeserved it, and a great wrong done all concerned, especially the family who has suffered and must suffer most. For that we must thank the spirit of yellow journalism, which does not hesitate to violate every principle of truth, honor, chivalry, justice and sanctity in those efforts to make news and sell papers, which make that style of journalism one of the sickening things of modern civilization."

TO TEST THE LAW

Quincy Democrats Name Judicial Candidates to Test Reapportionment.

Quincy, Ill., April 10.—The democratic committee for the counties composing the old Fourth supreme judicial district today called a convention to be held at Quincy April 17 to nominate a candidate to succeed Justice Joseph N. Carter on the supreme bench of Illinois. Mandamus proceedings will be instituted to compel the secretary of state to certify the nomination for a place on the ballot in the old district. In this way the democrats hope to bring about the recent judicial apportionment bill, which replaced the democratic counties of Pike and Scott in the old district with the republican counties of Jackson, Warren, Mercer and Henderson. The constitutionality of the apportionment is contested by the democrats who will nominate Judge William T. Vandeventer of Quincy as a candidate from the old district.

MINERS DID NOT QUIT WORK

In Wyoming Field To Observe Good Friday.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 10.—For the first time in over a quarter of a century every colliery in the Wyoming coal field, excepting one at Plymouth, remained at work today, Good Friday. The operators made no particular request except to say the work would be continued as usual. The breaker boys at Parrish colliery, Plymouth, considered this a legal holiday and requested a day off. This was not granted and they worked until noon, when all the breaker and did not resume work. Operations ceased for the day.

England Would Welcome Loubet.

London, April 10.—The probability of President Loubet returning King Edward's visit is warmly welcomed in England. It will be the first visit of the head of France to England since Napoleon III's visit to Queen Victoria in 1855 during the Crimean war.

The Howard Trial.

Frankfort, Ky., April 10.—The jury for the trial of James Howard charged with the killing of Governor Goebel, is completed and the opening statements of attorneys of both sides were made today. The introduction of evidence begins tomorrow.

Assistant Superintendent.

Detroit, April 10.—W. D. Trump of Saginaw, has been appointed assistant general superintendent of the Pere Marquette railroad.

VASQUEZ FORCE IS REPULSED

BY REBELS IN TWO DETERMINED ASSAULTS ON CITY OF SAN DOMINGO.

FOREIGN MARINES LANDED

By Germany and Italy to Protect Their Consulates—Two Days of Fierce Fighting.

San Domingo City, Tues., April 7.—Negotiations for a peaceful settlement of the questions in dispute, initiated by the consuls, have failed and the suspension of hostilities ended at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, when President Vasquez opened fire upon the revolutionary positions. The rebels in this city repelled with cannon and the fighting lasted the whole of yesterday and through last night, only ceasing this morning, by which time Vasquez troops were finally repulsed in their assault on the city. The number killed and wounded is unknown. The government troops made a second attempt this morning to force their way into the city, but after a heavy fight were again thrown back. Insurgent General Poppin was killed. Vasquez forces are at Suburn San Carlos, and their prospects of a successful assault on the city proper appear remote, as it is well barricaded and defended by heavy guns. A suspension of hostilities has taken place in order that the Red Cross Corps may attend the wounded. Italian and German warships have arrived here and landed marines to protect their respective consulates. Many families have gone on board the foreign warships for safety. It is reported the foreign warships will disembark parties of marines in case of pillage.

REBELS CLOSE TO CARACAS

Defeat Government Forces and Capture the City of Barquisimeto and Much Ammunition.

IT IS A POINT OF MUCH VANTAGE

Willemstad, Curacao, Monday, April 6.—News was received here that Venezuelan revolutionists have defeated the government forces in the neighborhood of Caracas and captured two cannon and a large quantity of ammunition. They have also captured the city of Barquisimeto, which is the key to the western part of Venezuela, taking many prisoners. Heavy fighting, undecided as yet, has taken place at Coro.

Jury Disagrees.

Carroll, Iowa, April 10.—The jury in the Faust murder case disagreed and was discharged. Charles Faust is charged with the murder of his brother James, December 1.

Peoria, April 10.—Two hundred painters struck today for an increase in wages and shorter day.

IOWA OUT OF COMMISSION

Damage Done the Big War Vessel Is Greater Than First Examination Showed.

GUN HADN'T BEEN CONDEMNED.

Pensacola, Fla., April 10.—The damage to the battleship Iowa, caused by the premature explosion of a shell in the forward port twelve inch gun, is more serious than was thought when the first examination was made, and as a consequence the big ship has been ordered out of commission. Three decks, including the upper deck in the forward part of the ship, will have to be entirely removed and rebuilt. It is feared the steel supports under the twelve inch port turret are sprung to such an extent that they will have to be removed. The gun itself is a hopeless wreck. According to the record of the exploded gun, it was good for at least another year's service and reports that the gun had been condemned are without foundation.

FOUR FATALLY WOUNDED.

Quarrel Starting Over a Game of Cards in Saloon Ends in a Tragedy.

Athens, Ohio, April 10.—In a fight to night at Jacksonville, Ohio, twelve miles north of Athens, four persons were fatally shot and one seriously shot.

The fatally wounded: Mrs. Henry Skrotzky, Charles Riley, Charles Cochran, Seth Timmons.

Seriously wounded: Henry Hoblett.

The shooting occurred in a saloon where Mrs. Skrotzky is the proprietor and was the result of a quarrel over a game of cards. Mrs. Skrotzky and Hoblett were taken to their homes, while Riley, Cochran and Timmons were carried on stretchers to the Jacksonville prison where hundreds of excited people gathered.

The mayor has sworn in many extra police to protect the prisoners.

STEAL TWO MORE POUCHES

Mail Sacks Left By Wabash at Springfield Junction are Missing.

SECOND ROBBERY IN A MONTH.

Springfield, Ill., April 11.—At 12:30 o'clock Saturday morning word was received that two more mail pouches were stolen from Springfield Junction where a similar theft occurred about three weeks ago. As in the former case the pouches were thrown off from the eastbound Wabash train tonight to be placed on the Chicago & Alton train later. When the Alton train arrived the two pouches were missing. The pouches were locked up in the office tonight, but the robbers broke the bars and windows. Towerman Driscoll, who was in the tower fifty feet away did not hear them. Sheriff Brainerd and a posse are scouring the country for the robbers.

AMSTERDAM STRIKERS.

Are Warned That a Continuance Will Bring Penalties.

Amsterdam, April 10.—The workmen's defence committee has issued a manifesto explaining the continuance of the strike will only expose the strikers to the penalties of the new anti-strike bill which has practically become law.

The calling off of the strike has resulted in the holding of angry meetings by the strikers. The anarchists and socialists are busy exploiting the situation, urging the men to ignore the committee and continue the strike. The men are inclined to follow this course.

ARKANSAS TORNADO.

Damage Greater Than Shown By First Reports.

Newport, Ark., April 10.—During a tornado Tuesday night the family of three pearl fishers, named Tapp, who lived in a shanty boat on White River were drowned. Belated reports from VanBuren county and from Pearson and Lebanon county, show the damage by the tornado to have been underestimated. Pearson was almost wiped out of existence. Five villages in VanBuren county are known to have been destroyed and many more are thought to have been.

COMING HOME.

Indiana Man Who Has Been in Paris Madhouse Being Brought Back.

Lafayette, Ind., April 10.—A cablegram received tonight from Paris, France, announces that Moses Fowler Chase has started for his home here in custody of Samuel P. Baird, an attorney of this city. He has spent the past four years in a madhouse near Paris. Consul General Gowdy has been appointed his guardian in France and his father here has been appointed guardian of his estate, \$800,000.

Michigan Central Extensions.

Jackson, Mich., April 10.—The Michigan Central has let the contracts for double tracking the road from Marshallville to Augusta, also for building a line north of Oostem. The estimated cost is \$1,500,000.

Murderer Killed by Train.

Carbondale, Ill., April 10.—Wm. H. Turley, who shot and killed Frank Murray, May 30, '99, in Johnson county, and escaped, was killed by a train at Murtel, Ohio, according to word received today.

Weather Forecast.

Washington, April 10.—Illinois—Rain Saturday; warmer in central and north portions; high south winds. Sunday fair and colder.

Local Weather.

The following is a record of the temperature for 24 hours ended Friday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Coonradt, government observer:

	7 a. m.	1 p. m.	7 p. m.	Highest	Lowest	Precip.
	52	62	48	63	46	1.88

TWO OBSTACLES

FUEL AND INADEQUATE TRANSPORTATION, BEING REMOVED, MANUFACTURING PICKS UP

SPRING TRADE WAS HEAVY

Crop Prospects are Encouraging and the General Business Outlook Is First Class.

New York, April 10.—Dun & Co. tomorrow will say: Aside from the prevalence of strikes and possibility of further interruption to industrial activity next month on this account, the business outlook is most gratifying. Late frosts caused some damage early in the week, but the low temperatures did not continue and in most sections agricultural products had not advanced sufficiently to suffer materially while prospects are bright for large crops, and heavy sales of fertilizers testify to extensive operations. Despite some unfavorable weather, eastern retail trade has been heavy, and jobbing activity in summer fabrics indicate the expectation of vigorous consumption as the season advances. There is less complaint regarding deliveries, due to better traffic facilities. Railway earnings in March increased 13.8 per cent compared with last year and 24.1 per cent compared with 1901.

Undue significance is attached to the recent reduction in prices of southern pig iron and throughout the country the tendency to delay placing contracts is noticed. No other cut in quotations has followed, and in the trade it is believed that after the temporary uneasiness there will be a resumption of buying on the former liberal scale. Finished steel is eagerly sought, and there is increased activity in outdoor work. Makers of agricultural implements and all kinds of machinery, have more business than can be handled promptly. The pig iron output bounded upwards with a better movement in fuel and in a short time production will be at the rate of 20,000,000 tons annually. These figures are better appreciated when it is remembered they are more than double the maximum output prior to 1899.

Beyond a moderate revival of export purchases for China, there is no increase in the sales of cotton goods, both sellers and buyers awaiting some more definite information as to the future. Another rise in the raw material threatens a shut-down of several mills which have light supplies and few contracts. Wool has been fairly steady since the month opened, but none of the March decline is recovered. New business is small at eastern shoe factories, but this is reasonable and no apprehension is felt.

Bradstreets.

The favorable feature of this week are the annual rush of the Easter buying at retail which is reported of excellent volume, some improvement in the re-assorting demand with jobbers at interior markets resulting therefrom and slight, but still perceptible improvement in the labor situation, growing out of mutual concessions. Prices during March showed exceptional strength, despite the seasonal changes downward in dairy products, grains and fuel, partly counteracted, however, by the advances in live stock and meats.

Lumber and building materials of all kinds have remained in exceptional good demand in spite of the numerous strikes, and finished products in iron and steel show strength, but cinder forms, such as pig iron, have weakened perceptibly, ostensibly because of the lowering of quotations of Southern iron, but really because with the improved transportation and better supplies of coke has come an enlargement of the iron products to the highest point ever known.

It is, of course, too early to measure the development of fall trade. Some interior markets report good orders, but large eastern centers note a holding back of the movement of cotton yarn, and the demand for heavy weight wools is reported to have been checked by the higher prices. Raw wool has again weakened, though statistically the position is very strong.

Railroad earnings are quite favorable, gross receipts for March indicating an increase of between ten and eleven per cent, while net returns for February show a gain of six per cent and the increase in gross receipts of 14 per cent. Relatively the best trade reports come from the leading western markets, but all centers report satisfactory spring trade done at wholesale.

Copper and tin have weakened again, but lead retains its old firmness. The spring rush is over at the eastern show manufacturing centers, but shipments, while smaller than last week, are heavily in excess of a year ago. The situation in coffee is an interesting one. After a decline early in the week, which brought future deliveries to the lowest prices ever recorded, and on which decline an extensive liquidation of former bull interests was reported, a slight upturn was noted, due to reports that Brazil will adopt radical measures, such as burning the surplus supplies of low grades in order to lighten the load on the market. This is regarded, however, as hardly possible of fulfillment. After further decline, due to dullness in the refined market, and pressure of supplies, raw sugar steadied at what is said by authorities to be the bottom.

Opportunities in the South.

No portion of the United States has made greater progress in the last year or two than the South. Northern and foreign capital is rapidly invading that section, finding profitable investment in the various industries and factories that are being rapidly developed and built. The great influx of settlers is creating an increased demand for lands of all kinds and prices are gradually advancing, as they will for years to come. Work is plentiful and poverty practically unknown. Alabama is supplying coal and iron to all the world. More money can be made and without labor in the raising of small fruits and berries and in truck patching on the Gulf Coast than in any other state in the union. Strawberries from Alabama reach northern markets before those from the states in the southeast. Cattle can be raised with great profit, there being millions of acres of cheap range lands. If you are interested in the south and its resources and desire information on any subject, address

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STORMS RAGE IN WEST.

Mountain Regions in Grasp of a Spring Blizzard.
Salt Lake, Utah, April 10.—A severe wind storm, accompanied by rain, hail and snow is raging throughout the entire inter-mountain region. The wind at some points reached a velocity of 5 to 40 miles per hour. Telegraph and telephone service is demoralized. At Butte, Mont., and west, a heavy wet snow is reported. Snow is also reported at many Idaho points.

Denver Stops Open Gambling.
Denver, Col., April 10.—An order was issued today that no more open gambling would be permitted in this city and every gambling house was closed.

To Be Married.
John A. Wondra, the Associated Press operator for the Herald in this city, left yesterday morning for Rockford, Ill., where on Wednesday evening he will be married to Miss Laura Jeunmaire. The couple will go to Chicago for a brief visit before returning to Decatur.

Vienna is threatened with a strike of chimney sweeps.

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Russian Jews to the number of 24,000 came to New York during 1903.

THE FORUM WON

Defeated Agora Society in Literary Contest at High School Last Evening.

BOTH MADE GOOD SHOWING.

And Were Liberally Applauded by Their Supporters.

In the literary contest at the high school last night, the Forum a second time defeated the Agora. The first contest was held between the two societies two years ago and the Forum won by only a few points. The Forum is the boys' society, and the Agora is the girls' society. The contest last night was the best ever held by any literary society of the high school, and but for one of the Forum representatives, Sidney Eschbach, for the humorous declamation, being sick and unable to take part the affair would have been a success in every way.

The contest produced more rivalry between the two societies than any contest previous to this. Early in the year, the Agora defeated the boys in a spelling match in which the boys were not in it at any time. They determined to redeem themselves last night and did it in a creditable fashion, winning two first places and one second. The Agora secured a second place and a third place. They did not receive credit, however, for one of their best numbers. The program was as follows:

Piano solo, Augusta Brintlinger.

Oration, Andrew Jackson, by Walter Freyburger.

Oration, Aaron Burr, by Constance Joe.

Vocal solo, Miss Madge Young.

Declaration, dramatic; Soul of the Violin, John Byrne.

Declaration, dramatic; Arena. Scene from Quo Vadis, Edna McClelland.

Intermission.

Oration, The Panama Canal, by Claire Hutchin.

Oration, Florence Nightingale, Mable Gingrich.

Vocal solo, June Ewing.

Miss Hazel King gave several humorous declamations while the judges were coming to a decision and they were very pleasing to the audience.

The judges were, Rev. Strain, Rev. Burnham, and Mrs. Hostetler. The first place in oratory was unanimously given to Walter Freyburger of the Forum.

Claire Hutchin, of the Forum, won second place, and Mable Gingrich won third place for the Agora. In the declamations, John Byrne won first place for the Forum and Edna McClelland won second place for the Agora.

The assembly room was prettily decorated in the colors of the two societies, the west side was occupied by the members of the Forum and was decorated in their colors, gold and black; the east side was reserved for the Agora members and was decorated in purple and white, the Agora's colors. The members of the contest societies did themselves credit in the way they cheered their representatives, every number being applauded vigorously. Both sides had practiced up on a number of yells that were well given, and though the girls did themselves credit, they were unable to make their yells heard above the Forum boys. Besides the faculty, there was a number of parents of the pupils present, and also several post graduates.

E. A. Gastman was chairman for the evening. The Forum boys held a celebration up town after the contest, and will make their next meeting a jollification. The members of the Agora take the defeat good naturedly and say that the Forum certainly can orate and declaim, but they can't spell.

THE BLIND CHAPLAIN DEAD

Rev. William Henry Milburn Expired Friday at Santa Barbara, Cal., After Year's Illness.

WIDELY KNOWN IN AMERICA.

Washington, April 10.—The Rev. William Henry Milburn, the venerable blind chaplain of the United States senate, died at Santa Barbara, Cal., today. Milburn was broken in health and went to the Pacific coast a year ago. The change brought no great improvement and when congress met in December he forwarded his resignation, but it was never acted on. The deceased was a native of Philadelphia, where he was born in 1823.

When five years of age a play fellow accidentally struck him in the left eye with a piece of glass. For two years he was confined to a dark room under medical treatment, and when he came out one of his eyes was entirely blind and but little sight was left in the other. He, however, pursued his studies at school and colleges for about twenty years, the sight growing dimmer until gradually he became totally blind. In the spring of 1838 he went with his father's family to Jacksonville, Ill., and in 1843 became a traveling preacher of the Methodist church.

Milburn was twice elected chaplain of the house of representatives and lastly chaplain of the senate.

While serving a charge at Mobile, Ala., Milburn underwent a trial for heretical teachings. He was widely known as a blind preacher and lecturer, his ministry and lecture field covering many parts of the United States, Canada, Great Britain and Ireland. He also was known as an author.

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed at J. E. King, N. L. Krone and McNeil & Horral, druggists.

Russian Jews to the number of 24,000 came to New York during 1903.

JOHN MURPHY'S DEATH

Details of the Accident At Marshalltown, Iowa, Which Cost His Life.

REMAINS BROUGHT TO DECATUR.

The particulars of the death of John Murphy, formerly of this city, who was killed at Marshalltown, Ia., were learned when the body was brought to this city Friday night. Undertaker Moran went to Marshalltown for the body and learned the details of the accident.

Murphy was at Marshalltown with a friend, Jacob Henson. Both intended to go from that city to Davenport and they were at the depot at Marshalltown at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon with the intention of catching a freight train. Murphy stood very near to a passing train and expected to catch the caboose as it passed, but he was too near the train and was struck by one of the cars and thrown under the wheels. Six cars passed over his legs which were horribly mangled.

The injured man was taken to St. Mary's hospital at Marshalltown and one leg was amputated below the knee and the other above the knee. Three of the best surgeons in the place attended him, but the loss of blood had been so great that his life could not be saved and he died Wednesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock.

The accident happened at the station of the Northwestern railroad and in the presence of quite a number of persons who were on the platform of the station.

On arriving in Decatur the body was taken to the home of Murphy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy, 1042 East North street.

The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon from St. Patrick's Catholic church. The burial will be at Calvary cemetery.

DEPENDS ON THE WEATHER.

Decatur Team May Not Go to Peoria Today to Play Ball.

There is a possibility that the Decatur team may not go to Peoria today to play an exhibition game with the Western league team of that city.

Word from Peoria yesterday was to the effect that the weather conditions there were much the same as prevailed in Decatur. Yesterday afternoon the Peoria men said that at that time it was impossible to say if the grounds there would be fit today for a game. It was agreed that the Decatur team should be notified this forenoon of the conditions there at that time, because it was possible that the weather might clear and the grounds be in shape. If McFarland and his men go over to Peoria they will leave Decatur at 10:18 via the Vandavia and will return to this city tonight for the game with the Milwaukee team tomorrow.

E. G. Collins of Decatur has received a letter from his half brother, Scott Holmes, of Lawrenceburg, Ky., in which the latter says that he has signed with Nashville to pitch the coming season and that he will at once join that team.

A Great Sensation.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I suffered from insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the perfect remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by J. E. King, N. L. Krone and McNeil & Horral druggists. Trial bottles free.

CHICAGO TANNERS AT WORK.

Yield On Principal Contention After Strike of Several Weeks.

Chicago, April 10.—Three thousand tanners and carriers returned to work today ending a strike of several weeks. The settlement marking the first victory for the Chicago Employers Association since it made the rule to grant absolute union recognition to no labor organization. The one point of union recognition has prevented a settlement. Strikers refused to submit their grievances to arbitration unless the manufacturers would first agree to employ none but union men. This the employers refused.

The tanners yielded today, however, and returned to work, having obtained a concession of a nine hour day with no reduction in wages and the promise of the manufacturers not to discriminate against the union men.

Genoa Like Americans.

Genoa, April 10.—The commanders of the United States war vessels Cincinnati, Chicago and Machias, paid a courtesy visit today to the local authorities here who entertained them at dinner this evening. The people here are displaying much cordiality towards the American seamen and many persons have visited the American ships, which were greatly admired.

Makes a Clean Sweep.

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, scalds, rashes, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It's only 25c, and guaranteed to give satisfaction by J. E. King, N. L. Krone and McNeil & Horral, druggists.

Steamship Arrivals.

Queensdown, April 10.—Campania from New York.
New York—Cevic from Liverpool; Bulgaria from Hamburg; Anchora from Glasgow; Clila from Algiers, etc.
Halifax—Clifford from Glasgow, and Liverpool for Philadelphia.
Queensdown—Canada from Boston and Halifax for Liverpool.
Liverpool—Corinthian from St. John, Halifax via Mobile.

A Thoughtful Man.

M. M. J. Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. One should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed at J. E. King, N. L. Krone and McNeil & Horral's drug store.



A COMMON ERROR

It's a common error to plaster the back—to rub with liniment the rheumatic joints—and then to wonder why relief doesn't come.

The aching back—the rheumatic joints come from sick kidneys—and plasters and liniments won't cure sick kidneys. You've got to get at the kidneys from the inside—You've got to make them well. Well kidneys keep the blood rich and pure—Leave no excuse for backache and rheumatic pains.

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

make well kidneys. They are endorsed by Decatur citizens. Your own friends and neighbors have used them, and testify to their merit. You couldn't have more positive proof than

DECATUR PROOF

Mrs. Allen Timmons of 1535 North Clayton St., says: "I had bearing down sharp shooting pains in the small of my back, which were often so terrible that I was unable to do my work, and frequently I had to stop in the midst of it and get rested before I could go on and finish it. There was no escape from the excruciating suffering, day or night. Learning about Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box at a drug store. They did me a wonderful lot of good indeed, relieving the pains so much that I could do my work with some degree of comfort. It is a pleasant thing for me to remember Doan's Kidney Pills and to speak well of them to others troubled as I was."

Doan's Kidney Pills are on sale at all drug stores—50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

HOME GROWN LETTUCE, ONIONS, PIE PLANT Three bunches for 10c POTATOES—Fancy Northern Stock; Saturday per bushel 55c

GANO APPLES

per peck

29c

WHITE ONION SETS

per quart

5c

MAPLE SUGAR

per pound

10c

CALIFORNIA DRIED CHERRIES

per pound

5c

JUMBO NAVEL ORANGES

per dozen

31c

40c FOUR SEWED BROMS

per dozen

24c

ARCADE

Excello Coffee Served Free Today

Meat Sale for Saturday

OLD FASHIONED PICKLED PORK The genuine article; per pound 12c

FINE COUNTRY BACON per pound 15c

Young Pig Hams Nice, small stock per pound 14c

Rib Roasts Cut from prime cattle, per pound 12c

SEED POTATOES—EARLY ROSE AND EARLY OHIO. We unloaded a car of the finest Early Rose and Early Ohio that ever came to this market. Pure seed stock per bushel 75c

EARLY OHIO SEED POTATOES per bushel 80c

25c GARDEN HOES hard wood handle 15c

30c GARDEN HOES large blade 19c

30c GARDEN RAKES Malleanable iron 19c

GARDEN TROWELS special for 4c

14 QUART GRANITE STEEL DISH PANS—10r 39c

FIBER LUNCH BOXES, the best made, large size for 10c

SQUARE DINNER PAILS coffee can and tray—Friday 24c

FLUE STOPPERS, With spring, each 5c

20c package of MOTH BALLS 12c

10c Rice Root SCRUB BRUSHES 5c

MRS. POTT'S IRON HANDLES 5c

GOOD LIGHT HATCHET 10c

10c HAMMERED TIN DUST PANS 5c

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